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## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

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*Introduced by: Kromkowski*

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A RESOLUTION recognizing the South Bend Chapter of Indiana Black Expo (SBCIBE) for its many contributions to the African-American community.

*Whereas, The mission statement of Indiana Black Expo is "to be an effective voice and vehicle for the social and economic advancement of African-Americans";*

*Whereas, Founded in Indianapolis in 1970 by a group of religious and civic leaders, Indiana Black Expo has continued to grow through the efforts of its dedicated staff of community volunteers;*

*Whereas, Indiana Black Expo has grown from a single annual event to a year-round community service organization with 13 chapters around the state;*

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*Whereas, The South Bend Chapter of Indiana Black Expo concentrates its efforts on supporting youth programs that try to reduce the disproportionate numbers of African-American youths in school dropout rates, incarceration rates, low scores on standardized tests, and violent behavior statistics;*

*Whereas, The South Bend Chapter of Indiana Black Expo encourages African-American youth to recognize that education is the engine of opportunity and that through education they will be better able to succeed in life;*

*Whereas, Because of the efforts of the South Bend Chapter of Indiana Black Expo, today's African-American youth will become the foundation of an African American culture that is focused on their goals and more ready to move forward toward a bright future; and*

*Whereas, As one of the nation's most important voices for the African-American culture, Indiana Black Expo and the South Bend Chapter of Indiana Black Expo, are a driving force in the social and economical advancement of African-Americans: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
2 recognizes the South Bend Chapter of Indiana Black Expo for its  
3 efforts in the advancement of African-American youth.

4           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
5 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Glenn  
6 Williams, president-elect, and OJ Lewis, chairman of the Pre-Valentine  
7 Evening of Elegance.

